

THE CITY.

The internal revenue collections yesterday amounted to \$18,040.88.

Panning & Slavin's bill for street sweeping for May was \$1,959.14.

John Robinson, colored, paid Judge Borka \$12.50 for the pleasure of beating Mrs. Robinson yesterday.

Peter Doly, a young man in the employ of the B. & M. who lost a leg through carelessness on the part of the company, was this morning paid \$1,500 in cash and promised a life situation on the road. The company will also purchase him an artificial leg.

John H. Sinsel had a room mate named Wallace, but they parted company Wednesday. Wallace left the room at 608 north Sixteenth street, without saying goodbye, and took a revolver and a blue Chinchilla overcoat belonging to his mate.

Daylight robberies are becoming very popular among the wielders of the jimmy, and promise soon to supplant the more cowardly nocturnal visits of the burglar. The latest recorded is the robbery of J. Simonson's room, 1522 Marcy street, at high noon, in which \$17 in cash, a valuable revolver, and a quantity of clothes were taken. Simonson noticed the man leaving the floor with his plunder, and went to his room to ascertain if he was the loser by the visit. He learned that he was, but the thief had gotten too far away to be found when Simonson returned from his room to follow him.

Personal Paragraphs.

M. E. Erwin, of Dubuque, Ia., is at the Paxton.

J. H. Skelley, of Lincoln, Neb., is at the Paxton.

A. R. N. Ansen, of Auburn, Neb., is at the Millard.

P. A. Donnell, of Lincoln, Neb., is at the Millard.

E. L. Reed, of Weeping Water, Neb., is at the Paxton.

W. E. Swentzel, of Sioux City, Ia., is at the Paxton.

Louis Burke, of North Platte, Neb., is at the Millard.

Charles E. Magoon, of Lincoln, Neb., is at the Millard.

W. M. Robertson, of Madison, Neb., is at the Millard.

J. C. Logue, of Central City, Neb., is at the Windsor.

Thomas B. Tuttle and wife, of Carthage, Mo., are at the Millard.

Henry Polman and wife, of Fremont, Neb., are at the Paxton.

A. J. Gallentine and wife, of Kearney, Neb., are at the Paxton.

Mrs. W. H. Ashby and Mrs. Mayne, of Valley, Neb., are at the Paxton.

George E. Stoneham, agent of Sell's Brothers shows, is at the Windsor.

Messrs. S. B. Chapman and W. J. Pollard, of Aurora, Neb., are at the Windsor.

A Horse Thief Gens in His Work.

Some horse thief entered the barn of W. Rawitzer, Thirtieth and Gold streets, at an early hour Thursday morning and stole a gray pony. No one saw what was done, but it has been found, but the police are working on the case.

His Room-Mate Has Left.

It has cost Adolph Carlson just \$24 to get acquainted with Emil Olson, a fellow he lately picked up to room with him. Carlson says that last Saturday he placed \$24 in cash in his satchel in the pocket of a coat. He left the room, and returned a few hours later to find both Olson and his money missing. He waited patiently for his wayward room-mate, but as he has failed to put in an appearance he had the matter placed in the hands of the police.

Republican Primaries.

Little interest was taken in the primaries held yesterday to select delegates to the republican convention to-day, which will nominate candidates for the board of education. In most of the wards there was but one ticket, and the vote was very light. Strict partisans and men with axes to grind were the principal enthusiasts and did most of the voting. Most of the delegates are unpledged as to their choice for candidates.

A Burglar in Hock.

To Detective Ormsby was delegated the investigation of the burglary of Emma Richter's house last Friday night and it is thought he now has the culprit in custody, who proves to be a negro named John Evans. Some of the stolen articles were found in possession of a colored prostitute named Emma Cummings. She told the officer that they were given her by John Evans, and he was arrested. She was brought to the police station and identified him as the man who presented her with the stolen goods.

Prospects for a Watch Factory.

Secretary Nattinger, of the board of trade, received a communication a few days ago from the secretary of the New York Standard Watch company, asking what inducements the board of trade would give them to locate at this point. The company desire that Omaha capital establish the plant, and insist in the location of the factory. The letter was turned over to the board of trade, and a committee of the board of trade for their further consideration.

Commencing to Build.

The well-known property of General Myers, on the northeast corner of Sixteenth and Davenport streets, is now being utilized for the erection of a lot of stores and flats, which shall be three stories, of brick, 132,000 feet, to cost \$2,500. The design has been planned and the work supervised by Henry Voss, as have also a five-story addition to the Goss hotel, 40x90 feet, on Jackson street, west of Fourteenth, to cost \$12,000, and a beautiful structure for Charles McCormick, 28x50 feet, three stories, in height, at the corner of Virginia avenue and Harney street.

Engstrom Vindicated.

The trial of C. F. Engstrom before the police judge Thursday afternoon on the charge of obtaining money under false pretences from a tailor named Hela, resulted in an acquittal and complete exoneration. The evidence in the case was identical with the history of the case published in the Bee a few days ago and showed very plainly that the prosecution had been prompted to commence the case through chagrin at not getting the best of the bargain in the land trade. A large number of Engstrom's friends were present at the trial and watched it with the most careful attention. The verdict of the judge met with their hearty approval and Engstrom was tendered a perfect ovation upon leaving the court room.

Footprints of Irishmen.

The friends of Rev. Dr. McDonald, whose number is legion, are regretfully aware that he is soon to leave Omaha. Desiring to hear him once more, and to the best advantage, they have invited him to deliver a lecture, which will be given on Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock, June 17, at Boyd's opera house. The title of the lecture will be "Footprints of Irishmen on the Continent of Europe."

From the fact that he has traveled over the entire extent of European countries, and acquired a knowledge of the language and history of the various places therein as a pilgrim and student in search of religious and historical lore, his repertoire of information on this subject is most ample and comprehensive. The lecture will be a rare intellectual treat. In addition there will be a grand vocal and instrumental entertainment to be contributed by the best available talent in Omaha.

Stuffing the Ballot Box.

John Hines was judge at the Third ward primary yesterday, or, at least, he was until he was arrested on the charge of violating the primary law by destroying ballots. There were two tickets in the field, one headed by M. O. Maul and the other by Julius S. Cooley. Among the workers at the polls was O. H. Rothacker, who was arrested in the street. He noticed Hines turn up a ballot, supposed to be for Maul, and try to substitute another. Rothacker at

once swore out a warrant for Hines' arrest, and he was promptly put behind the bars. Rothacker says the ticket in question was offered by Robert Price, and thinks other like offenses may have been committed. The other judge insists the ticket was offered by T. W. Fleming. The two voters were present at the time of the occurrence. Hines is a tough looking character. He is bullet-headed and bear-eyed. His face had a thick stubble about a week's growth, and his dirty shirt was covered with mud. He had been drinking during the day and was surly and quarrelsome. He refused to give his name at the central station and was registered as John Doe.

NO DEAD MAN THERE.

The Wild Goose Chase Given Police and Reporters.

"A man was just shot in room 19, Continental block," was the sensational words that flitted over the telephone wires about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and were almost simultaneously received at the central station, the sheriff's office and the offices of the newspapers. Captain Green with a posse of men took the patrol wagon for the designated point, which is the corner of Fifteenth and Douglas streets. The police made a break for the third story, closely followed by the newspaper men, and the appearance of the excited delegation created consternation among the occupants of the floor. Room 19 looks out on Fifteenth street and is unoccupied. There were no indications of shooting about the room, and the people on the floor were questioned and they had heard a shot or any disturbance of unusual moment. To satisfy himself Captain Green procured a step ladder and peeped over the transoms of several rooms on the floor, but was unable to find "a man just shot."

While the police were busy investigating a messenger brought a call from room 19. There is a call box in the room, but who sent the call it was impossible to find out, as no one could be found who would father it. After a careful search the police took their departure, strongly imbued with the idea that some scoundrel bent on mischief and fun had put up the job.

Stop at the Globe hotel.

I have opened my Woodruff granite quarries and can fill all orders of almost any dimensions. Rock can be seen at stone yards of Wm. Tyler, Lincoln, Neb.

TO SALT LAKE AND RETURN.

The Union Pacific.

"THE OVERLAND ROUTE." Will sell tickets from all Kansas and Nebraska points for the special excursion to Salt Lake City and return, June 6th, at one fare for the round trip. Tickets going good five days, and returning fifteen days, extreme limit thirty days. Stop-over privileges allowed within these limits. Parties desirous of visiting Gardfield Beach, on Great Salt Lake, the famous watering place of the west, should improve the opportunity now offered.

Shetland pony for sale by George A. Keeline, Council Bluffs.

PAVING ELEVENTH STREET.

Property Owners Want Its Width Uniformly Eighty Feet First.

The property owners of Eleventh street held a meeting last night at the pop factory of Poiny & Segelke to express their preferences as to the material to be used in paving between the viaduct and Williams street. Isaac Haskell was elected to the chair and William Segelke acted as secretary.

Eleventh street is one hundred feet wide from the viaduct to Briggs street, and only sixty-six feet from Briggs to Williams street. A decided sentiment was developed for having the street widened to the uniform width of eighty feet before any paving should be done.

A motion by John Coats was passed, asking the city council to appoint commissioners to appraise the damages for condemning the needed land along the narrow part of the street; also to ascertain what the owners of property along the wide part of the street will give for the twenty foot strip of the roadway that is to be abandoned, and to let the property owners know the cost of changing the street.

Councilman Lowry stated that it would take three weeks to get a report from the appraisers. He suggested that if the property owners would designate the paving material wanted the necessary ordinance could be put under way at once. The letting of the contract would be referred to the councilmen from the ward, who would hold it until the width of the street had been arranged. The vote on this question was practically unanimous for red Colorado sandstone.

A petition was then circulated asking the council to pave the street with that material. Following is a list of the signers: C. F. Reed, Fred Drexler, C. F. Goodman, W. Segelke, G. Zimmerman, John Doll, T. P. Thomas, C. P. Delle, A. Kuntz, A. and H. Kuntz, David Jameson, with property of 1,225 feet frontage.

DEMOCRATS.

Union Pacific.

"THE OVERLAND ROUTE."

Will sell through tickets to St. Louis, Mo., to parties desiring to attend the National Democratic Convention, to be held at that place, on June 5th, at one fare for the round trip, from points in Nebraska and Kansas, to parties desiring to attend the meeting of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, June 12th to 16th inclusive. Tickets good going June 5th to 13th and returning June 13th to 19th inclusive, with continuous passage only in each direction.

THE DIAMOND ROBBER.

Another Theft, Near Garneau's, Credited to His Dexterity.

The house of C. P. Wilkins, at 1715 Capitol avenue, was robbed on Decoration day in much the same manner as the neighboring residence of Joseph Garneau was plundered the day following. A brother of Mr. Wilkins was upon the porch watching for the return of the Omaha Guards, when he heard the front door open. He turned in and saw a young fellow, who passed within a few feet of him and walked out of the yard. Mr. Wilkins attached no importance to the incident, as there were young men rooming in the house, but he noticed that the stranger was ill looking and thought he would call his brother's attention to it. Later in the evening it was discovered that some one had ransacked the sleeping rooms of the house and left the littered with clothing. The principal loser was the servant girl, who is missing a gold brooch, a ring, several pins and \$2.50 in cash. The pockets in the clothing of the young man were ransacked, but nothing of value found. From the description given by Mrs. Garneau of the thief who stole her diamonds Mr. Wilkins is confident that both robberies were committed by the same fellow.

Drink Malt at soda fountain.

REPUBLICANS.

Union Pacific.

"THE OVERLAND ROUTE."

Will sell through tickets at rate of one fare for the round trip, from points in Nebraska and Kansas, to parties desiring to attend the National Republican Convention, to be held in Chicago June 16th to 19th. Tickets good going June 16th to 19th, and returning June 20th to 25th inclusive, with continuous passage only in each direction.

Stop at the Globe hotel.

Dr. McGrew, Rectal, urinary & private diseases only. Room 5, Barker blk.

Turned Over Their Stock.

Canfield & Co. the hatters and pen's furnishers, on South Fifteenth street, who were closed up by the sheriff some days ago, yesterday gave a chattel mortgage on their stock, amounting to \$10,000, to Price, Silverman & Co., of Philadelphia, and several other minor creditors to secure claims held against them.

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TERRIFIC NAPHTHA EXPLOSION

The Tank at the Barb Wire Works Blown Up.

WM. KELLY'S FRIGHTFUL DEATH.

Blown Through the Side of the Building and Horribly Mangled—James Christy Fatally Injured—Caused By Carelessness.

A Horrible Accident.

The peaceful denizens of North Omaha were startled shortly before 10 o'clock yesterday morning by a terrific explosion that led many to believe that a powder magazine had been blown into atoms. The noise of the explosion was also heard in nearly all parts of the city, and the fire alarm that was sounded shortly afterwards caused the intense excitement to prevail as to the nature and location of the accident. It proved to be at the barb wire works on Fifteenth avenue Nicholas street, and the report rapidly spread that two men had been killed. On arriving on the scene it was discovered that the building enclosing a twenty-five barrel tank of gasoline had been torn to pieces, and the top and bottom of the tank were blown out in the explosion, while near by lay the torn and bleeding forms of William Kelly and James Christy. The tank was found to be out of repair a few days ago and was leaking badly. Sullivan Bros., plumbers and gas fitters, contracted to make the necessary repairs and delegated Kelly and Christy to do the work. They were busy until about 11 o'clock Thursday and resumed work again yesterday morning. There was very little oil in the tank as most of it had been removed, and only sufficient left to test whether the tank was water tight or not.

Yesterday morning just before the explosion Christy was on top of the tank, while Kelly was at the base of it, just inside the building. They had with them a small tinners' stove for heating their tools, and some think that it was the gas arising from the volatile oil and caused the explosion. The more accepted theory, however, is that the boys commenced smoking and dropping some fire from his pipe set fire to the oil. A number of graders were working near by and the first apparition they received of the accident was the boards flying about them, accompanied by a deafening report. Christy, who was working on top of the tank, fell through the roof to a distance of fifteen feet, and landed on the receptacle and fell violently to the scanty remnants of the floor left. His left arm and leg were broken, his head was badly bruised and cut, while his body and limbs were badly burned. He has also sustained internal injuries from which he cannot recover. Kelly, who was near the tank, was blown through the side of the building and horribly mangled. His hands, some face was cut to pieces, the mouth being cut open half way to the throat, and his lip slit from the right nostril to the middle of his cheek. His hands, legs and body were torn and he was burned in a terrible manner, while his clothes were literally torn from his body, the few shreds left being on fire. It was evident that he could survive for a few minutes and was carried by the workmen into the office in an unconscious condition where in about thirty minutes he breathed his last. Christy was taken to his home at 1224 North Eighth street where the best medical service was secured for him, but it is feared that nothing can be done to save him as he, too, has suffered internal injuries, and it is probable he will prove fatal. He is still conscious, but is suffering the most excruciating agony.

Kelly was a man of about thirty-two or thirty-three, was moderately proportioned and in every way was a splendid specimen of physical manhood. He was also a good workman. His wife, who lives with his relatives in the city named Begley, who will take charge of the funeral exercises.

Christy is a widower of about thirty-five and has been boarding with his married sister.

Coroner Drexler held an inquest in the afternoon over the remains of Kelly, the jury returning a verdict that the deceased died as the result of an explosion of naphtha, and exonerating the barb wire company from responsibility.

An Absolute Cure.

The ORIGINAL ABETHINE OINTMENT is really put up in large tin cans, and is an absolute cure for old sores, burns, wounds, chapped hands, and all skin eruptions. Will positively cure all kinds of piles. Ask for the ORIGINAL ABETHINE OINTMENT. Sold by Goodman Drug Co. at 25 cents per box—by mail 30 cents.

Stop at the Globe hotel.

When you come to Omaha stop at the Globe, the best located \$2-a-day hotel in the city. Between 13th and 14th streets on Douglas.

Smoke Seidenberg's Figaro and get the best 5-cent cigar in the world. Max Meyer & Co., wholesale depot.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

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Commissioner Griffiths Retires.

Mr. William F. Griffiths severed his connection yesterday with the freight bureau of the board of trade as its commissioner. His retirement from that position is due to the fact that the freight bureau was not sufficiently sustained by the shippers of the city to justify the board in maintaining the office and retaining as competent a manager Mr. Griffiths. The freight bureau will continue, but the office of commissioner has been discontinued.

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